## CITY OF PALM BEACH GARDENS PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Palm Beach Gardens residents and visitors engage in bicycling as a viable and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent form of physical activity and recreation; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida recognizes March as Bicycle Month and Palm Beach County will recognize it locally; and

WHEREAS, Florida Bicycle Month features a number of fitness opportunities, educational programs, races, commuting, and charity events for riders of all ages and abilities to enjoy throughout the month at various parks and locations throughout Palm Beach County; and

WHEREAS, the recognition of Florida Bicycle Month will raise awareness of bicycling and ultimately promote physical activity and healthy lifestyles by elevating bicycling as a more widely accepted choice of transportation; and

WHEREAS, the Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency plans, supports, and recommends projects to make bicycling more accessible and promotes comprehensive community education efforts aimed at improving bicycle safety; and

WHEREAS, creating a bicycle-friendly community has been shown to improve citizen's health, well-being, and quality of life, grow the economy of Palm Beach Gardens, attract tourism dollars, improve traffic safety, support student learning outcomes, and reduce pollution, congestion, and wear and tear on our streets; and

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County has an ever-expanding designated or enhanced bicycle lane network, with over 280 miles of existing facilities and several local municipalities that have adopted a Complete Streets Policy, furthering the creation of a safe, connected transportation system that is accessible to all forms of transportation, and all people who bike, regardless of age, ability, or background.

**NOW**, **THEREFORE**, I, Chelsea Reed, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, do proclaim the month of March 2025 as

## FLORIDA BICYCLE MONTH

Attest:

Patricia Snider, CMC, City Clerk

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, to be affixed on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.

Chelsea Reed, Mayor